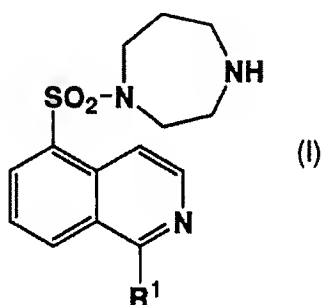


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Withdrawn) An agent for prevention of and/or treatment for vasospasm accompanying a bypass operation, which comprises as an active ingredient either a compound represented by the following general formula (I):

[Chem 1]



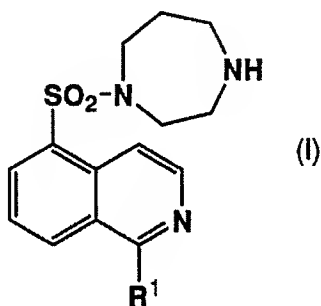
where R¹ represents a hydrogen atom or a hydroxyl group, or an acid addition salt or hydrate thereof.

2. (Withdrawn) The agent for prevention of and/or treatment for vasospasm accompanying a bypass operation according to Claim 1, wherein the bypass operation comprises coronary artery bypass grafting.

3. (Withdrawn) The agent for prevention of and/or treatment for vasospasm accompanying a bypass operation according to Claim 1, wherein the vasospasm comprises vasospasm which does not respond to a calcium antagonist and/or a nitro-compound.

4. (Withdrawn) The agent for prevention of and/or treatment for vasospasm accompanying a bypass operation according to Claim 1, wherein the vasospasm occurs in a region which differs from an anastomosis region.

5. (Currently Amended) A method for ~~prevention of and/or treatment for~~ treating vasospasm ~~accompanying~~ resulting from a bypass operation, which comprises administering, during or after the bypass operation, an effective amount of an agent to a ~~person in need~~ patient who had been subjected to off pump beating coronary artery bypass grafting, wherein the vasospasm is the one that does not respond to a calcium antagonist and/or a nitro-compound, wherein the agent comprises ~~as an active ingredient either~~ a compound represented by the following general formula (I):



in which R¹ represents a hydrogen atom or a hydroxyl group, or an acid addition salt or hydrate thereof.

6. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 5, wherein ~~the bypass operation~~ is coronary artery bypass grafting the coronary artery bypass grafting is one in which a left internal thoracic artery was anastomosed to each of a left anterior descending coronary artery and a diagonal branch.

7. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 5, wherein ~~the vasospasm is the one that does not respond to a calcium antagonist and/or a nitro compound~~ the coronary artery bypass grafting is one in which a saphenous vein graft was anastomosed from an aorta to a left anterior descending coronary artery.

8. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 5, wherein ~~the vasospasm occurs in a region which differs from an anastomosis region~~ the coronary artery bypass grafting is one in which a right internal thoracic artery was anastomosed to a left anterior descending coronary artery and a left internal thoracic artery was anastomosed to a posterolateral branch of a left circumflex coronary artery.

9. (New) A method according to Claim 5, wherein the vasospasm occurs in a region which differs from an anastomosis region.

10. (New) A method according to Claim 6, wherein the vasospasm occurs in a region which differs from an anastomosis region.

11. (New) A method according to Claim 7, wherein the vasospasm occurs in a region which differs from an anastomosis region.

12. (New) A method according to Claim 8, wherein the vasospasm occurs in a region which differs from an anastomosis region.